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FM AMEMBASSY BUCHAREST

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAIR, RO

SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT

REF: A) BUCHAREST 6170 B) STATE 166889

1. EMBOFFS MET WITH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MFA) DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR LEGAL AFFAIRS MARIN ALEXIE AT HIS REQUEST ON SEPTEMBER 7 TO DISCUSS EXTENSION OF AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT (ATA).

2. ACCORDING TO ALEXIE, MFA AND COMPETENT ROMANIAN AUTHORITIES ARE STILL STUDYING AMBASSADOR'S JULY 25 LETTER WHICH CONTAINED US PROPOSALS ON ATA EXTENSION. MFA HAS MANY PROBLEMS WITH OUR PROPOSALS. ALEXIE STATED THAT AT THIS TIME, RATHER THAN PROVIDING RESPONSE TO THE AMBASSADOR'S LETTER, MFA REQUESTS THAT WE AGREE TO ALLOW PAN AM AND TAROM TIME TO RENEW DISCUSSIONS TOWARD REACHING AN AGREEMENT; ONCE THE COMPANIES REACHED AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THEMSELVES, THEN GOR AND USG COULD EXCHANGE NOTES.

3. IN SEPTEMBER 8 MEETING WITH LOCAL PAN AM MANAGER, JOSEPH BASSO, ECON COUNSELOR REVIEWED MFA REQUEST. BASSO FEELS MFA REQUEST IS ACCEPTABLE TO PAN AM AND HE IS ADVISING PAN AM, NEW YORK, OF POSSIBILITY THIS COURSE OF ACTION. BASSO AGREED THAT PAN AM WOULD DO NOTHING TO RESUME TALKS WITH TAROM UNTIL  
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WASHINGTON GIVES OKAY.

4. COMMENT: IT IS OBVIOUS THAT GOR IS HAVING GREAT PROBLEMS IN ACCEPTING PROPOSAL CONTAINED IN AMBASSADOR'S JULY 25 LETTER

AND THAT THEY ARE LOOKING FOR FACE-SAVING WAY OF AVOIDING NEED TO RESPOND TO IT. WE ARE INCLINED TO GO ALONG WITH MFA

REQUEST FOR TIME BEING. WE FEEL OUR POSITION SHOULD BE THAT  
WE LEAVE OUR PROPOSALS ON TABLE BUT NOT EXPECT RESPONSE TO  
THEM FROM MFA OR TAKE ANY ACTION UNTIL TAROM-PAN AM NEW TALKS  
COMPLETED OR BREAK DOWN.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE PROVIDE US WITH DEPARTMENT'S

POSITION IN RESPONSE TO MFA REQUEST.  
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